# St. Stanislaus & St. Pius X & St. Christopher

Parish Priest: Rev. Father Arulkumar

> **Parish Secretary:** Faye Wafer

**Office Hours: Tuesday to Thursday** 10 AM to 2 PM

**Sunday Masses:** St. Pius X - Lively

Saturday: 4:30 PM St. Christopher - Whitefish **Sunday** : 9:00 AM St. Stanislaus - Copper Cliff **Sunday: 11:00 AM** 

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** 

St. Stanislaus - Copper Cliff Sunday: 10:30 AM to 10:45 AM St. Pius X - Lively

Saturday: 4:00 PM to 4:15 PM St. Christopher - Whitefish Sunday: 8:30 AM to 8:45 AM

**Baptism:** 

Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements one month in advance by contacting the Parish Office.

### Marriages:

Please make marriage arrangements 9 months in advance by contacting the Parish office. Saturday weddings are scheduled at 1:00 PM.

> Other Sacraments: **Contact Parish Office**

**Bulletin Announcements:** 

**Email yours to** ststans@eastlink.ca **Before 12 PM Wednesday** 

**Prayer line:** 

St. Stanislaus: Faye Wafer 705-682-3207 or Ellen Austin 705-682-4596

St. Pius X: Eleanor Williams 705-692-4061 or Denise Stewart 705-6924883

St. Christopher: Adrienne McIntyre 705-866-2235

### **Mission Statement:**

By our Baptism, we are committed to celebrate the presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament and are continually called to build our lives in the image of Christ. Through liturgy and ministry, we strive to bring ourselves closer to God and to each other, by building a strong community of believers and a joyous family of God.

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30th Ordinary Sunday - October 29, 2023



JESUS REPLIED:

"'YOU MUST LOVE THE LORD **YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, ALL YOUR SOUL, AND** ALL YOUR MIND."

A SECOND IS EQUALLY **IMPORTANT: 'LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.** 

MATTHEW 22:37-39

**Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 5, 2023, at 2:00 AM Change your Clocks before bed on Saturday** 



Tuesday, October 31
10:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish
No Intentions requested

Wednesday, November 01
10:00 AM - St. Pius X, Lively
† Lena Besner by Sherry Hartmann

Thursday, November 02 09:30 AM - St. James School, Lively No Intentions requested

Friday, November 03 09:30 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff For the intentions of St. Stanislaus Parishioners

31st Ordinary Sunday Saturday, November 04

04:30 PM - St. Pius X, Lively For the People entrusted to the Pastor Sunday, November 05

**09:00 AM - St. Christopher, Whitefish** No Intentions requested

11:00 AM - St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff Special Intentions by Adele Presello

The Rosary is recited before Saturday and Sunday Mass.

The Cenacle of the Marian Movement of priests is held each Tuesday at 10:45 AM at St. Christopher's Church, Whitefish.

A Prayer Line is available for parishioners.
Anyone wishing to pray for a
special Intention, for someone who is ill,
having surgery, for the deceased, or
any other intention may contact
the Prayer Line or the Parish Office.

## **Mass Intentions**

**Offering Masses** is a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church.

An Individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons.

For example, in Thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a Birthday or an Anniversary), for someone who is sick or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

Call the Parish Office: 705-682-4683

30th Ordinary Sunday Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 18 I love you, O Lord, my strength.

# Weekdays Scripture Readings: October 30 to November 05, 2023

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Romans 8.11-17	Luke 13. 10-17
Tuesday	Romans 8. 18-25	Luke 13. 18-21
Wednesday	Revelation 7. 2-4, 9-14 // 1 John 3. 1-3	<b>Matthew 5. 1-12</b>
Thursday	Wisdom 3. 1-7	John 6. 37-40
Friday	Romans 9. 1-5	Luke 14. 1-6
Saturday	Romans 11. 1-2, 11-12, 25-29	Luke 14.1, 7-11
Sunday	Malachi 1. 14; 2, 2, 8-10//1 Thessalonians 2. 7-9, 13	Matthew 23. 1-12

Thank You for Your Continued Generosity!

Sunday Collection - October 22, 2023

Sunday Concerns Concerns 22, 2020				
Church	Envelopes	Loose	PADP	
St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff	\$ 520	\$ 43	\$	
St. Pius X, Lively	\$ 320	\$ 5	\$	
St. Christopher, Whitefish	\$ 415	\$ 163.25	\$	

# 30th Week of Ordinary Time

Justice and compassion are keys to loving, in the readings for the **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Exodus** proclaims God's call that we act justly toward foreigners, and the most vulnerable among us: widows, orphans and the poor. Jesus says it most simply: 'You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. ...You shall love your neighbor as yourself'.

On November 1st, we celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints** and on November 2nd, we celebrate the **Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**. A wonderful time to remember the 'communion of saints' that we have on our side and the communion we will enjoy forever.

The first reading all week continues with the third week of Paul's longest letter, the Letter to the Romans, with his teaching of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

The **Gospel of Luke** offers a glimpse of Jesus healing and teaching the people, even as he continues to clash with religious leaders. He cures the 'bent woman' on a Sabbath and tells of the tiny mustard seed which develops to become a full grown bush. He repeats that it will not be easy to enter the Kingdom: 'For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last'. He defies those who bring word of threats on his life and defies the silent Pharisees who watch as he cures a man on the Sabbath. Jesus encourages us to be humble: 'For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted'.

That line from Luke is echoed in the gospel for the **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time** as Jesus says in the **Gospel of Matthew**, 'Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted'. He encourages us to turn away from honors and titles and to take the lowest place at the banquet.

# **30th Ordinary Week - Daily Prayer This Week**

Please, Lord, anything but humility! Our instinctive reaction to humility might be the result of a culture that exalts riches, honors and pride. Yet all this week Jesus teaches that the way to salvation is through humility.

The first step might be simply asking for the desire to be humble. As we move through the simplest of moments in our everyday lives, we can stop and ask God to help us *want* to be humble. As we sit on the edge of the bed in the morning, as we head to work, sort laundry or do our errands, we can keep a running prayer in the background of our consciousness: 'Lord, help me to desire the humility that will make me more aware of your saving grace'.

These same background moments offer ways for us to recognize opportunities to practice humility as we go through our days. Perhaps I can stop myself from correcting my spouse. In a disagreement, I might make an extra effort to listen to the other person's side rather than planning my rebuttal as they speak. I can let a person in line in front of me, hold the door for someone or make an extra effort to recognize and thank those who serve me. Even these tiny gestures, when done in the spirit of Jesus' teachings this week, offer us a special grace.

With the Solemnity of All Saints, we are reminded of all the women and men whose faithful living of the Gospel is so clear that we are sure we can imitate their lives. These are all the named saints. It would be great to name the saints whose example we desire to shape our lives. All Souls day gives us the opportunity to remember and pray for all our brothers and sisters who have died. We confidently hope and pray that they may be embraced by the love and mercy of God, poured forth in the life giving death and resurrection of Jesus. This is a wonderful day to name all those we want to pray for, and to include in our prayer those who have no one to pray for them.



## 30th Ordinary Week - Reflection

Today's readings are about treating people decently and doing the right things. In the reading from Exodus, the Lord tells the people not to oppress immigrants. Everyone comes from immigrant stock. Everyone is originally from somewhere else. I'm descended from Irish and German immigrants (mostly), but I, like most people, want to be treated decently and feel like I belong here and have a community. The Lord says the immigrants should be welcomed and treated decently, the same way we would want to be treated. They are our neighbors now, and after all we come from immigrant stock as well. He says in his compassion he will hear the cries of the abused and give them justice.

In the Gospel today the Pharisees ask Jesus what is the greatest commandment. It's surely a test trying to slip him up, get him to say something they can criticize or prosecute. Maybe their point is that all the commandments are important. But what Jesus does is perfect and logical and simple. He says the first commandment is to love God above anything else. That's the greatest commandment, and it would include following God's commandments. If you love God you will not have false gods or idols, you will keep God's day holy, and won't take the Lord's name in vain. In essence, all sin is putting something before God, giving anything more importance than God in our lives. So if everyone just did this one commandment, put God before anything else, all the other commandments would be moot.

But then he adds that the second commandment is to love your neighbor as yourself. If you love your neighbors you will not harm them. If you love your neighbors you won't kill them, or steal from them or try to cheat them or lie to them. If you love your parents you will honor them and treat them well. And who are our neighbors? Everyone else. If you treat others fairly and decently, the way you yourself would want to be treated by others, you will live in harmony, as God intended.

He says the whole law depends on these two commandments. Put God first, and treat all others fairly and decently. How great would our world be if people actually did this? No crime, no discrimination, no greed. I don't even understand how some people can be so cruel, so selfish, advancing their own interests even at the expense of others. But that is not how it is supposed to be. If people would love God and each other, that's all we need.

Knights of Columbus (Council 3909) Membership Monthly Meeting - November 01, 2023 6:00 Pm Dinner 7:00 PM Regular Meeting at St. Stanislaus Lower Small Hall

From St. Pius X CWL: Save the date for Pot Luck and Silent Auction on December 2, 2023